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REMARKS

Claims 26-29 remain in this application. Claims 1-25 have been canceled. Claims 26-29 have been added..

Claims 1-25 stand rejected/objected to under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kulkarni in view of Gallagher. Applicant has canceled claims 1-25 and, thus, all pending claims are moot.

Further, claims 26-29 have been added. Applicant submits that no new material has been added. Applicant believes the newly added claims contain clearly described subject matter which is not taught or suggested by the cited art. Therefore, Applicant submits that none of the cited art, either alone or in combination, renders claims 26-29 unpatentable.

CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, the foregoing amendment places the Application in condition for allowance. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of the claims be withdrawn and full allowance granted. Should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, please contact Bobby D Slaton at (972) 519-2295.

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